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**Attn: Mail Stop Amendment**

Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application  
Appl. No. 09/840,923; Filed: April 25, 2001  
For: **System and Method for Scheduling Execution of Cross-Platform  
Computer Processes**  
Inventors: FOULGER *et al.*  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a);
2. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111;
3. One (1) return postcard; and
4. Credit Card Payment From (PTO-2038) in the amount of \$450.00 to cover the Petition for Extension of Time.

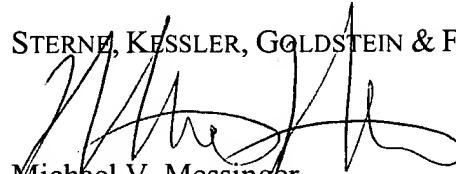
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